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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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SERIAL NO: 09/647,743 : ART UNIT: 1714

FILED: OCTOBER 4, 2000 : EXAMINER: HOKE, V.

FOR: POLYOXYMETHYLENE MOULDING :

MATERIAL WITH IMPROVED PROCESSING STABILITY AND A REDUCED EMISSIONS TENDENCY

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** 

Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action dated July 2, 2001, kindly amend the above identified application as follows.

## IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 2, 3, and 5-10.

Amend claims 1 and 4 as follows.

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1. A molding composition made from linear polyoxymethylene copolymers which essentially have oxymethylene units and oxyethylene units as structural units in the polymer chain, where the proportion of oxyethylene units in the structural units of the polymer chain is from 1.5 to 2.5 mol% the molding composition having a formaldehyde emission, measured on sheets of wall thickness 1 mm after 24 hours in storage, in